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SUBJ: SOVIET MEDIA ON INDOCHINA

THE SOVIET CENTRAL PRESS CONTINUES TO DEVOTE MAJOR COVERAGE  
TO INDOCHINA DEVELOPMENTS. IN WEEKEND ITEMS OF NOTE MOSCOW:

A. PLEDGED "HUMANITARIAN" AID TO THE CAMBODIAN  
"PATRIOTS" (IZVESTIYA APRIL 19). ACCORDING TO THE TASS  
ANNOUNCEMENT THE AID WAS GIVEN IN THE NAME OF THE SOVIET  
GOVERNMENT, IN ACCORD WITH ITS "CONSISTENT POLICY" OF  
SUPPORTING THE FUNK AND GRUNK.

B. IMPLICITLY CRITICIZED SECRETARY KISSINGER IN HIS  
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SFRC TESTIMONY, SAYING THAT THE SECRETARY "WAS

AGAIN COMPELLED TO ADMIT THAT THE U.S. IS INTERFERING IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE" (TASS FROM WASHINGTON IN PRAVDA APRIL 20).

C. DENOUNCED U.S. CONCERN OVER VIETNAMESE ORPHANS IN A CARTOON SHOWING A U.S.-BRAND CROCODILE WEEPING BOMBS WHILE CLUTCHING A RESISTING CHILD (PRAVDA APRIL 20).

D. REPLAYED PRG STATEMENTS DENOUNCING U.S. AID AND EVACUATION PLANS AS FURTHER MILITARY INTERVENTION (TASS FROM HANOI IN PRAVDA APRIL 20 AND TASS FROM PARIS IN PRAVDA APRIL 21).

E. REPORTED FURTHER "LIBERATION" ADVANCES IN SOUTH VIETNAM "WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE LOCAL POPULATION," AND THE PRG'S DENIAL THAT SOUTH VIETNAMESE WHO HAD COOPERATED WITH THE U.S. WOULD BE EXECUTED (TASS FROM NEW YORK IN PRAVDA APRIL 20).

F. SAID THAT "SOME" STILL HOPE TO CHANGE THE COURSE OF EVENTS IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND ASSERTED THAT THE SOONER OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE STOPS THE SOONER THE BLOOD-SHED WILL STOP (COMMENTATOR KORIONOV IN PRAVDA'S INTERNATIONAL WEEK, APRIL 20).

G. GAVE AN EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT BY A PRAVDA CORRESPONDENT--IN THE FIRST SOVIET PIECE WE HAVE SEEN WITH A SOUTH VIETNAMESE DATELINE--OF THE "LIBERATION" OF DANANG AND THE ALLEGED RETURN TO NORMALCY THERE. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT 109,600 SAIGON TROOPS HAD SURRENDERED ON MARCH 29, AND REPORTED THAT THE CITY'S NEW ADMINISTRATORS WERE TRYING TO FIND MEANS TO TRANSPORT 250,000 DISPLACED PERSONS BACK TO THEIR HOMES. (COMMENTATOR SKVORTSOV IN PRAVDA, APRIL 20)

H. DISCUSSED THE ELECTION IN NORTH VIETNAM AS A SYMBOL OF NORMAL PROCESSES OF NATIONAL UNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (COMMENTATOR SKVORTSOV IN PRAVDA, APRIL 21).  
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